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FRANCE AND VENEZUELA.
France has officially informed the United States of the action of the Venezuelan government against the French Cable Company, which she regards as high-handed and unwarranted. While insisting that diplomatic means will be exhausted in the effort to relieve the situation, it is declared that President Castro is rapidly exhausting French patience, and thereby forcing France toward the limit of diplomacy.

France has invited the attention of the American government to the Venezuelan situation because of its interests in Pan-American affairs, and in order that it may ascertain the probable course of action which this government will take against Venezuela. It is the wish of the French government to act along parallel lines as far as practicable.

These developments in the Venezuelan situation are regarded as the preliminary step toward the relief of a situation in Caracas which Europe, as well as the United States, has for some time regarded with dissatisfaction. Early yesterday M. Jusserand, the French ambassador, sent his first secretary, M. des Portes de la Fosse, to the State Department to inform the officials there of the suit of the Venezuelan government against the French Cable Company, and of the concern which this action has caused the French government.

M. des Portes gave to Mr. Ade, the acting Secretary of State, the substance of the cablegram from Paris, and asked him about the probable line of action which this government contemplated in connection with the asphalt case, which also is in President Castro's court. It was impossible for Mr. Ade to commit the government on this point until the Venezuelan courts have acted, but he thanked the secretary for advising this government in the matter, and promised him information as soon as the government was prepared to make an announcement. As soon as the French secretary left Mr. Ade called at the War Department, where he had a long conference with Secretary Taft, who, in the absence of Secretary Hay, the acting Secretary of State is consulting in all matters of importance.

It is probable that upon the President's return from New York Mr. Jusserand, the French ambassador, will outline to him the position in which the French government finds itself as a result of President Castro's latest action and discuss generally with the President the entire situation, about which France is keenly annoyed. It is pointed out that it is the wish of the French government to settle as quietly as possible its differences with Venezuela, and in case a French ultimatum is followed by no relief in the situation, France will have well-nigh reached the limit of diplomacy.

In view of the unfavorable conditions in Venezuela at this moment the French armored cruiser Duplex and the protected cruiser Julien de Graviere, of 23 knots speed, which are now in the Caribbean, will be retained in that vicinity indefinitely.

Although the greater part of the North Atlantic fleet is soon to come north as far as Pensacola for target practice, an adequate contingent will remain in Dominican waters to guard American interests there, and in case of an emergency in Venezuela the fleet at Pensacola will be in easy cruising distance. It is possible that the French cruisers may touch at Pensacola during the stay there of the American fleet to obtain supplies or merely to pay a friendly visit.

EXECUTIONS IN VIRGINIA.

As was stated in the Gazette, James M. Linkous, a white man, 55 years of age, was hanged in the courthouse yard at Radford yesterday for the murder of his wife and their 12-year-old adopted son, whom he killed on last Christmas Day. Linkous went to his last contesting that he was innocent of the crime. This was the first hanging in Radford since the civil war, and it attracted an immense crowd to the town, but the execution was witnessed by only a few persons, who gained admission by card issued by the sheriff. This double murder was one of the foulest crimes ever committed in the Radford neighborhood. At an early hour on the morning of last Christmas Day Linkous beat his wife and adopted son to death in their home, locked the bodies in a room and, after saturating the building with kerosene, applied a match and walked to an outhouse. Asked why he did not turn in an alarm when he discovered the flames in his home, Linkous replied that he was anxious to save his chickens and hogs. The skulls of his victims were crushed in with a blunt instrument and the bodies were burned to a crisp. When the crime was discovered there was great indignation among the citizens of the little town, and open threats of lynching were made. Linkous was at once suspected. He was placed under arrest and hurried to Roanoke for safe keeping. He was later indicted for the two murders, was tried for killing his wife, convicted and sentenced to hang February 17. His attorney carried the case to the State Supreme Court of Appeals and the Governor granted a respite of 30 days. The court on last Wednesday handed down an opinion denying the writ of error. What prompted Linkous

to take the lives of his wife and adopted son is not known. The home had, to all appearances, been a most happy one. Linkous was known to be a quiet, sober, inoffensive citizen. His wife was active in church and charity work and their adopted boy was the pet of the neighborhood. Linkous was a poor man, but was looked upon as being upright in all things. After the murder there were rumors that there was a woman in the case, but this has never been proven.

Robert Bowles, colored, the murderer of John A. Ruff, was hanged in the jail yard at Covington yesterday morning, at 6:38 o'clock. The execution was witnessed by less than fifty people, and passed off without a hitch. Bowles did not make a statement on the stand, but left a written confession with Sheriff Rizer, to be made public after his death.

In this paper Bowles stands by his statement on the witness stand that he shot Ruff in self-defense. In less than two hours after the execution the body was on a train, en route to the university at Charlottesville. Bowles met death without a tremor and walked alone to the scaffold. There was no excitement in Covington. Bowles killed Ruff a year ago in the Chesapeake and Ohio yards at Clifton Forge. He was brakeman on a freight train on which Ruff was fireman, and one night a dispute arose between the two men, during which Bowles shot Ruff and escaped to the mountains of West Virginia, where he was captured shortly afterward. He had two trials. At the first he was sentenced to hang but secured an appeal on a legal technicality, and got a new trial, at which he was again found guilty of murder, and sentenced to be hanged March 17. An appeal to the Supreme Court for a writ of error failed, as did a petition to the governor to commute his sentence.

Like Finding Money.

Finding health is like finding money--so think those who are sick. When you have a cough, cold, sore throat or chest irritation, better not promptly like W. C. Barker, of Sandy Level, Va. He says: "I had a terrible chest trouble, caused by smoke and coal dust on my lungs; but, after finding no relief in other remedies, I was cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds." Greatest sale of any cough or lung medicine on earth. At E. S. Leadbeater & Son's drug store; 50c and \$1.00; guaranteed. Trial bottle free.

Proper Treatment of Pneumonia.

Pneumonia is too dangerous a disease for anyone to attempt to doctor himself, although he may have the proper remedies at hand. A physician should always be called. It should be borne in mind, however, that pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of the grip, and by the proper treatment of these diseases a threatened attack of pneumonia may be warded off. There is no question whatever about this, as during the thirty years and more that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been used, we have yet to learn of a single case of a cold or attack of the grip having resulted in pneumonia when this remedy was used. It is also used by physicians in the treatment of pneumonia with the best results. Dr. W. J. Smith, of Sanders, Ala., who is also a druggist, says of it: "I have been selling Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and prescribing it in my practice for the past six years. I use it in cases of pneumonia and have always gotten the best results." Sold by Gibson & Timberman and W. F. Creighton & Co.

A Dinner Invitation.

After a hearty meal a dose of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will prevent an attack of indigestion. Kodol is for indigestion, dyspepsia, gas on the stomach, sour risings, bad breath and all stomach troubles. N. Watkins, Leabur, Ky., says: "I can testify to the efficacy of Kodol in the cure of Stomach Trouble. I was afflicted with Stomach Trouble for fifteen years and have taken six bottles of your Kodol Dyspepsia Cure, which has entirely cured me. The six bottles were worth \$1.00 to me." Sold by all druggists.

Nothing will cure indigestion that doesn't digest the food and give the stomach a rest. It is necessary to starve yourself in order to rest your stomach--take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It will digest any quantity of the whole food you want to eat while your stomach takes a rest--recuperates and grows strong. This wonderful preparation is justly entitled to all of its many remarkable cures. Sold by all druggists.

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New Manhattan Negligee Shirts.

We are showing a large shipment of the new spring Manhattan Shirts for men, in plain white and neat fancy effects. Both with separate cuffs or cuff attached as desired. The quality and styles and workmanship of the Manhattan Shirts are all so well known by the well-dressed man that it is unnecessary for us to dwell on this point, but to say they are prettier and handsomer than ever and can only be had of us in Alexandria.

Your Choice \$1.50 and \$2 Each.

Our One Dollar Negligee Shirt.

Our \$1.00 Negligee Shirts for men are the best to be had for the money. The quality of the material and the styles are guaranteed the very best obtainable for the price. A new large line to choose from; all sizes from 14 to 19 in both white or neat fancy stripes and figures. Let us show them to you while they are fresh and new.

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MEN'S MEDIUM-WEIGHT UNDERWEAR.

We are showing the right kind of Men's Medium Weight Underwear, just the proper weight for early spring wear. All sizes, both in gray or white, at the uniform price of 50c and \$1 Each.

Men's New Neckwear.

All the latest effects in Men's New Spring Neckwear from the best New York makers. Quality and styles guaranteed correct. Your choice.

Each 25c, 50c and 75c.

Also showing new and varied assortments of Men's Collars in "quarter" sizes; Men's Muslin Night Robes, Men's Summer Pajamas, Men's Dress Gowns and Shirts, New Hosiery, New Gloves and Plain White Vests, Dress Shields, Linen Handkerchiefs, &c., &c.

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FOR THIS WEEK'S SALE.

CLEARING THE SHELVES AND COUNTERS OF ALL ODD LOTS PREPARATORY TO RECEIVING OUR NEW SPRING STOCK.

One lot Light Percales, yard wide, 10c value, at 5c yard.
One lot Dress Gingham, 8c value, at 5c yard.
One case Dark Percales, yard wide, 12c value, at 7c yard.
One lot yard wide Shirting Madras, 15c value, at 5c yard.
One lot Fancy Mercerized White Goods, 10c value, at 10c yard.
One case Bleached Shaker Flannel, 8c value, at 5c yard.
One case Apron Gingham, 7c value, at 5c yard.
One lot Swiss Draperies, 12c value, at 6c yard.
25 pieces Colored Silk Foulardines, at 12c yard.
100 pieces English Long Cloths, 10c value, at 6c yard.
One lot French Gingham, 15c value, at 7c yard.
50 pieces Plaid Crashes, at 2c yard.
50 pieces Bleached Hook Towelling, 8c value, at 5c yard.
One case yard wide Bleached Cotton, 8c value, at 5c yard.
One lot yard wide Heavy Brown Cotton Seersucker, at 7c yard.
10 pieces yard wide White Cambric, 12c value, at 8c yard.
One lot Light Outing Flannels, 8c value, at 5c yard.
One lot Embroidery, 8c value, at 5c yard.
500 yards White Persian Lawn, at 10c yard.
25 pieces 40-inch India Linens, 15c value, at 10c yard.
One lot remnant Fancy Silks, 50c, 75c and \$1 values, at 25c yard.
White Wash Silk, 30c value, at 25c yard.
One lot All-wool Dress Goods Remnants, 50c to 75c value, at 25c yard.
Large size Bleached Sheet, at 35c.
100 gross White Pearl Buttons, 3c dozen.
25 dozen 2-strap Kid Gloves, new spring shades, \$1 value, at 60c.
One lot Corsets, 60c value, at 35c.
Ladies' Ribbed Vests and Pants, 25c value, at 15c.
Ladies' White Wash Silk Waists, \$2.50 value, at \$1.18.
Ladies' White Silk Waists, \$3.90 value, at \$2.49.
Ladies' Cambric Corset Covers, at 9c.
Ladies' Muslin Drawers, at 19c.
Ladies' Dressing Scaques, 60c value, at 35c.
Ladies' Outing Gowns, 50c value, at 35c.
Children's Sweaters, 50c value, at 35c.
Ladies' Sweaters, \$2 value, at \$1.25.
50 White Belt Sprays, at 35c piece.
Ladies' Flannelette Shirt Waists, 50c value, at 35c.
Black Satine Waists, 50c value, at 35c.

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